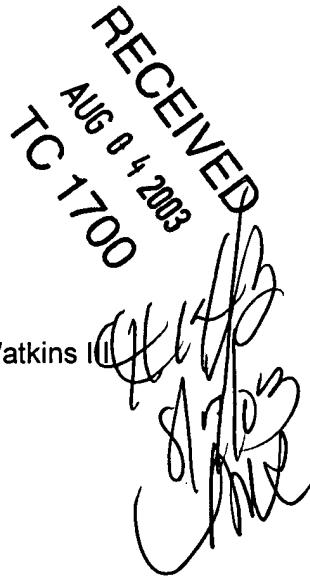




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Response and Amendment

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action mailed January 27, 2002. The following remarks and amendments are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2002. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the present application in view of the following remarks and amendments. Applicants submit that this Response and Amendment is a reply to each and every rejection raised in the Office Action and places the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the pending rejections be withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance issued. The Examiner is solicited to contact the attorney at (770) 998-6072 to resolve any issues and facilitate allowance of the present patent application.

With this response Applicants hereby submit a Petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time, a Request for Continued Examination and an Amendment Transmittal Letter for the fee for seven additional claims. In the event that the fees of any of these items are incorrect or any other fee may be necessary to keep the present application pending and to enter the amendment contained herein, please charge any fee or credit to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified patent application. The non-small entity fee has been calculated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (b), (c) and (d) as follows:

Claims As Amended

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	27 Minus	20 =	7 x	18 =	126
Indep.	3 Minus	3 =	7 x	84 =	0
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					126

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Respectfully submitted,

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I, Christos S. Kyriakou, hereby certify that on July 25, 2003 this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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